

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Please cancel claims 1 - 37, 39 and 42 - 50 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof and amend claims 38, 40 and 41 as follows:

Claims 1 - 37 (canceled)

38. (currently amended) ~~A digital recorder/reproducer according to claim 37, further apparatus having a first recorder/reproducer and a second recorder/reproducer for recording and reproducing signals on a first recording medium and a second recording medium and capable of transmitting input and output signals between said recording media, said digital recorder/reproducer apparatus comprising:~~

_____ a receiver which receives a video signal, an audio signal and an information signal;

_____ a compressed data generator which compresses said video and audio signals to produce compressed data;

_____ an expanded data generator which expands said compressed data to produce the original video and audio signals;

a CM predictor means for predicting ~~detector which detects~~ the start and end points of commercials included in a television broadcast;

a CM history memory means for storing ~~which stores~~ said CM predicted ~~detected~~ results; and

~~a first control means for changing controller which changes~~ the places for signals to be recorded and reproduced, on said ~~fifth and sixth~~ first and second recording media in accordance with said CM history information;

wherein said second recording medium is reproduced while said compressed data is being recorded on said first recording medium.

Claim 39 (canceled)

40. (currently amended) A digital recorder/reproducer apparatus according to claim-~~37~~ 38, wherein said ~~digital~~-compressed data generator ~~means~~-has a compression-ratio ~~changing means for changing which changes~~ the compression ratio adaptively according to said video signal and/or said audio signal, and after a certain amount of data is recorded on said ~~fifth~~ first recording medium, said compressed data are transmitted from said ~~fifth~~ first recording medium to said ~~sixth~~ second recording medium, and recorded thereon.

41. (currently amended) A digital recorder/reproducer apparatus according to claim-~~37~~ 38, further comprising a transmission speed detector ~~means for detecting which detects~~ that said compressed data is generated from said compressed data generator ~~means~~-at a transmission speed different from that of said compressed data recorded on said ~~fifth~~ first recording medium, wherein after said compressed data of a certain amount is recorded on said ~~sixth~~ second recording medium, said compressed data is transmitted from said second recording medium to said ~~fifth~~ first recording medium, and recorded thereon on the basis of said detected results.

Claims 42 - 50 (canceled)